DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 September 19, 1996

ALL COUNTY LETTER No. 96-52

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL
[] State Law Change [X] Federal Law or Regulation
Change
[] Court Order
[] Clarification Requested by
One or More Counties

[] Initiated by CDSS

SUBJECT:

IMPACT OF ALIEN PROVISIONS OF THE PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY AND WORK OPPORTUNITY RECONCILIATION ACT OF 1996 (HR 3734) ON AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN (AFDC) AND IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES (IHSS)

As you are aware, the President signed the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 on August 22, 1996. The legislation contains significant changes with respect to the provision of benefits to legal immigrants in California. However, we are still assessing the impact of these changes and have not yet received specific implementation instructions from federal agencies. Until further notice counties should continue to operate the AFDC and IHSS Programs using existing regulations.

Because of changes in federal eligibility, County Welfare Departments are instructed to flag new AFDC and IHSS applications which include legal aliens. Detailed instructions on Case Management Information Payrolling System (CMIPS) coding will follow.

We will notify you with further details as soon as they are available.

If you have additional questions, please contact Ms. Alison Garcia at (916) 654-0989 for AFDC, Ms. Rosa Estes at (916) 229-4590 for Adult Services Policy, and Mr. Craig Tanaka at (916) 229-4017 for IHSS Case Management Information and Payrolling System.

Sincerely,

ANNE BERSINGER
Chief Deputy Director